Krishna’s Divine Path

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Look at the essence of Krishna. He is an irrepressible child, prankster, enchanting flute player, graceful dancer, irresistible lover, brilliant warrior, vanquisher of foes, one who left a broken heart in every home, an astute statesman and kingmaker, thorough gentleman, and yogi. A colourful incarnation, indeed.

When it came to teaching, Krishna spoke of all kinds of ways, but highlighted the path of devotion a slightly more than the others. Not because it was better, but simply because he saw that most people were more capable of emotion than anything else.

Let’s say your business is doing well, your job is going fine, everything is working out well, but some emotional issue comes up. Suddenly, your life is down.

Let’s say today your job has not been too good, your business is taking a dive but you go home and emotionally everything was good there. You gloss over all the things that were not good, right?

For most, emotions are still a ruling factor. So Krishna highlighted emotion. He’s did not put emotion above awareness or ‘kriya’ or anything else. He highlighted emotions because a large number of people can attain peak intense emotion with greater ease compared to anything else.

Someone said you can’t be in love and be wise, that is how it is. Anybody who wants to fall in love should be willing to make a fool of himself otherwise it won’t happen.

You want to be smart and correct and fall in love. That doesn’t happen. Don’t worry about being vulnerable, and then it will happen. This aspect scares people off; it is not that otherwise you’re not that vulnerable, you anyway are. It is just that here you’re willingly stepping into it that’s all. With love you’re walking into it, otherwise you’re dragged into it.

To walk the path of passion, it doesn’t take any great understanding or learning. That’s an advantage. All it needs is a single-pointed, unchanging love affair.

The love affairs that you are used to are like this: if you’re getting the necessary takeaway, your love affair is on. The moment you think you’re not getting it, it is off. This is not a love affair, that’s just commerce. It is fine to do commerce on Dalai Street, but if you start doing it within yourself then it becomes destructive. It takes away life. You may make money but you will lose your life. Spiritual people say that money will take away your life. It is not money that takes away life. It is just that you have taken away all the passion from your life. You have taken away all the effervescence in your emotion. You have made it very safe. The more safe you try to make it the more death-oriented you become because the safest thing in the world is always to be death.

The safest way to exist is to be dead. If you’re alive anything may happen. Now only that person who wants everything to happen to him is not willing to judge what’s good and what’s bad. Whatever happens is fine by him. Now that’s a true devotee, a true lover.

He is one-pointed. Calculative people will live in comfort, but they will never know the bliss of existence. People who live passionately know the bliss of existence. They can also live well. But calculative people always think about how much they will get back? Now, if you only want comfort you will never know the joys of life.

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